

Coten End Newsletter

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Message from Mr Williams

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a fantastic week celebrating our sports days across the school, and what a wonderful showcase of teamwork and spirit they have been! From start to finish, our children demonstrated so many of our core values, with courage in trying their best, determination to keep going, collaboration in supporting teammates, kindness in cheering one another on, and responsibility in representing their houses so proudly. A very special thank you must go to Mr Rose for his brilliant organisation. These events do not happen without a huge amount of planning, and we are incredibly grateful for the energy and enthusiasm he brings to making these days so memorable for everyone. We do still have one more Sports Day to go with Reception Sports Day being rearranged for Friday 12th June, and we look forward to welcoming parents once more.

We would also like to say a huge well done to our Year 6 children, who approached their SATs last week with such maturity and resilience. We are incredibly proud of the effort each and every one of them has put in, and they should feel very pleased with themselves. Now, with this important milestone behind them, we hope they enjoy all of the exciting opportunities and experiences that the rest of the year has in store, particularly their end of year shows, Junior Apprentice and a brilliant day out at Drayton Manor Theme Park.

Finally, it has also been wonderful to see so many children taking part in school visits recently, with even more exciting trips planned in the weeks ahead. Providing these experiences is something we truly value, as they help to create special, lasting memories for our pupils. Whether it's the excitement of a first visit to the zoo or the joy of spending a day out with friends at a theme park, these are moments that children, and staff, cherish for years to come.

We look forward to one final half-term of the academic year. It will be incredibly busy as always and hopefully the sun will shine. I hope you all have a fantastic week in the sun and we look forward to seeing you on Tuesday 2nd June.

Best wishes,

Mr Williams



BE SAFE BE RESPECTFUL

OPAL Come & Play

Instead of Come and Learn, we will be doing Come and Play sessions this coming half-term for children in Years 1—5. These will be sessions around a play theme where you will be invited to join in with your child. This will be strictly one parent (or grandparent) per child and more details will be sent after half-term; unfortunately we cannot accommodate younger siblings at these sessions.

Each year group will be together and it will be the whole class, so there is only one date per year group. We look forward to welcoming you in for some OPAL Playtime!

Each session is 9.00am—9.45am, dates for each year group as follows:

Year 4—23rd June

Year 3—24th June

Year 5—26th June

Year 1—29th June

Year 2—30th June

Please note that there will not be a session for Year 6 due to the busy-ness of their last half-term here at Coten End.

Modern Foreign Languages

Culture Club (Portuguese)

In the penultimate session the children enjoyed learning about Portuguese Carnival celebrations and made very colourful masks. The last session involved tasting yummy Portuguese food, Brigadeiro (chocolate truffles) and pao de queijo (cheese balls). Big thanks to Barbara (Benji's Mum) and Edineia (Isaac's Mum) for giving up their time to share their language and culture with us.



Culture Club Day & Festival

Madame Allison has been inundated with offers of help for these special events, thank you very much! She is still looking for native speakers of **Japanese, Thai, Italian and Cantonese**. Please contact the school office if you could help.

New Neurodiversity Resource for Families

We're pleased to share a brilliant new online resource created by **Warwickshire Parent Carer Voice** to support families of neurodivergent children.

The **Neurodiversity Padlet** brings together clear, practical information all in one place, including:

- Explainer videos to help children and adults understand neurodiversity
- Guides on autism and ADHD
- Wellbeing tools such as grounding and relaxation activities
- Support links for local and national services

It's designed to help families feel informed, supported, and confident in understanding their child's needs.

You can access the Padlet here:

<https://padlet.com/warwickshireparentcarervoice/neurodiversity-zph0uxsv5qzagx5v>

Year Group news

Reception trip to Hatton

Reception had a fun-filled time at Hatton yesterday. The children met lots of different animals including chinchillas, snakes, blue-tongued skinks and lizards. They loved feeding the goats and kids and seeing lots of baby animals including piglets, lambs, ducklings and more. Many children also braved the zip-wire and loved the bouncy super slide, not to mention the tractor ride around the farm. Our guides were lovely and commented on the excellent behaviour of Coten End children.



Year 2 Castle Quest Launch at Warwick Castle

Year 2 had a fantastic trip to Warwick Castle as a memorable introduction to our next learning theme, *Castle Quest*. We were lucky to dodge the worst of the weather, with only some drizzle on our walk back!

During the visit, the children took part in a range of exciting activities, including exploring **Zog's Playground**, taking part in **The Falconer's Quest**, and joining a **Castle Life Tour** to learn more about how people lived in medieval times. We also enjoyed watching the lively and entertaining **Zog show**.

A particular highlight of the day was **The Falconer's Quest**, when the sun even managed to shine and we were wowed by the spectacular display of birds – especially when they swooped down and flew right over our heads!

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the **Warwick Independent School Foundation** for funding this experience. It was the perfect introduction to inspire our Year 2 pupils and spark excitement for the learning ahead.

The trip provided a wonderful hands-on experience, and we are looking forward to continuing our castle-themed learning back at school after half term!



Class photos

Your child should have brought home their class photo proof yesterday. Please note that orders can only be made online and the deadline for order is **Monday 1st June**.

Friends' Rainbow Raffle

Several volunteers have been in school today putting together a number of hampers filled with donations from our non-uniform day. Children brought in an assortment of items of a particular colour (based on their year group) and a collection of these have been put into each hamper.



For the opportunity to win a hamper that will be filled with colourful goodies, please buy a ticket via the link below:

[Rainbow Raffle](#)

Ticket sales close at 7.00pm on Sunday 31st May.

Pupils' Cheerleading Success

Congratulations to **Pandora, Arianna, Freya, Seb and Skyla**, who achieved a huge **1st place** at the Cheer City competition on Saturday 9th May as part of Warwickshire Elite Cheer!

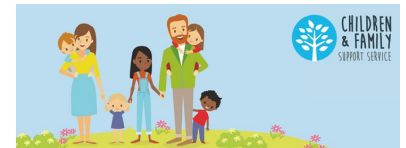
Battling a number of teams from across many regions, the squad showed fantastic teamwork, insane skills, determination and confidence throughout the day. We are so proud of their hard work, energy and sportsmanship, and incredible achievement!



Family Information Service

The latest edition of the Family Information Service newsletter is available to read at:

[FIS Newsletter](#)



	Morning		Afternoon/Evening	After School Clubs
Monday 1st June	INSET DAY			
Tuesday 2nd June				Football (Y1) Netball (Y5 & 6) Multi-Sports (R-Y2) Mandarin (Y1-6) Drama (Y3-6) Cookery (Y2-6) Advanced Sewing (Y3-6)
Wednesday 3rd June	Year 4 Residential Trip to Blackwell Adventure		3.30pm—RSHE parent drop in	Judo (Y2—6) Arts & Crafts (R, Y1 & 2) Football (Y5 & 6) Spanish Sewing (Y3-6)
Thursday 4th June	Year 4 Residential Trip to Blackwell Adventure			Multi-Sports (Y2—4) 11+ Maths & English (Y5) Puzzle Club (Y3) Basketball (Y3/4)
Friday 5th June	Year 4 Residential Trip to Blackwell Adventure			Dance (Rec—2) Rounders (R— Y2) Chess (Y3-6) Girls' Football Squad
Monday 8th June				Football (Y2-4) Spanish (Y1-6) Dance (Y3—6) Boys' Football Squad
Tuesday 9th June	4JL at Myton Gardens Primary		Year 4 at St Mary's Church singing concert	Football (Y1) Netball (Y5 & 6) Multi-Sports (R-Y2) Mandarin (Y1-6) Drama (Y3-6) Cookery (Y2-6) Advanced Sewing (Y3-6)
Wednesday 10th June				Judo (Y2—6) Arts & Crafts (YR, 1 & 2) Football (Y5 & 6) Spanish Sewing (Y3-6)
Thursday 11th June				Multi-Sports (Y2—4) 11+ Maths & English (Y5) Puzzle Club (Y3) Basketball (Y3/4)
Friday 12th June	Summer Fair donation morning			Dance (Rec—2) Chess (Y3-6) Rounders (R-Y2) Girls' Football Squad



CULTURE

CLUB DAY

WEDNESDAY 17TH JUNE

A day where we celebrate the rich diversity of Coten End School

CULTURE CLUB FESTIVAL
AFTER SCHOOL ON
FRIDAY 26TH JUNE



AN OPPORTUNITY TO 'VISIT'
15
DIFFERENT COUNTRIES



**DROP IN
BOXES
OUTSIDE
OFFICE**

Friends of Coten End Summer Events

Donation drop



**TEDDIES &
SOFT TOYS**



**FILLED
JOLLY
JARS**



**PARTY BAG
FILLERS**

Pre-loved teds or soft toys in good, clean condition for adopt the bear.

Filled with sweets, toys etc NO NUTS

Sweets, small toys/gifts for prizes

**TUE 2ND JUNE - FRI 12TH
JUNE**

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HELP US RAISE FUNDS, REDUCE AND REUSE
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of Coten End Primary School

JOLLY JARS



- 1** Get an empty jar
(Previously not filled with nut items)
- 2** Fill the jar with sweets,
chocolate & small toys
(No nuts, marbles or choking hazards)
- 3** Get crafting and
decorate
- 4** Bring them to school by
FRIDAY 12th JUNE

PLEASE MAKE AS MANY JARS AS YOU CAN !

THANK YOU ❤️

We are



of Coten End Primary School

Welcome to our community!

We raise funds that enhance learning and play for every child in the school. We do this with **fun events** that bring us all together and **services that give you a hand**.

Here's a round up to help you get started on your Coten End journey and raise funds to benefit your child and others. Click on the links.



Some are as simple as a few clicks online – some can help you make friends for life.



[Get uniforms sorted with our amazing pre-loved shop](#)



[Order name labels at stickins.co.uk and earn funds for school.](#) Tick Yes on "Do you have a school fundraising number?" and enter our code 5067

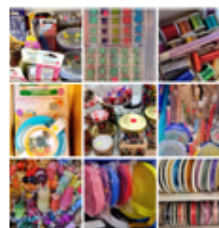


No need to buy nativity, theme day or fancy dress costumes – [hire from us!](#)

Save yourself birthday party stress, money and waste – [hire our party pack](#)



Shopping at everyday websites can [raise money for school with Easy Fundraising](#)



[Get craft supplies at super-low cost from the recycled Scrapstore](#) thanks to our whole school membership – just mention our school when you pay



Come and have a cuppa, meet [our lovely Friends team](#) and get a sense of what we do at one of our meetings. There's zero pressure to get stuck in!

Next meeting: Tues 15 September 2026 – 6pm – Staff Room (starts with brief AGM)

Hear about easy, one-off ways to support Friends events and meet lovely people!

[Join our Friends Lite WhatsApp group](#)



Hear about opportunities to help the school and school community be more sustainable!

[Join our Eco Friends WhatsApp group](#)



Does your employer match fund? If you help with Friends events, even for just an hour, you might be able to [supercharge what we raise through match funding](#) – find out how!



Friends events raise funds that pay for:
Books and equipment – School trips and workshops –
Projects in the school grounds – and more!





THE BRAKES COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION CIO



"ONE CLUB, ONE COMMUNITY"

NEW Venue!!!



MAY HALF TERM!!!

2 CAMPS @ ONE NEW VENUE

FOOTBALL & MULTISPORT CAMP ON ONE SITE

Tuesday 26th May - Thursday 28th May

09:30-15:00

****Wraparound available**

08:30-15:30**

Boys and Girls Year 1 - 8

**Oakley School,
Quercus Way, CV33 9QE**



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Friday
Minecraft
Club



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- Web Design
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Ages:
6-13



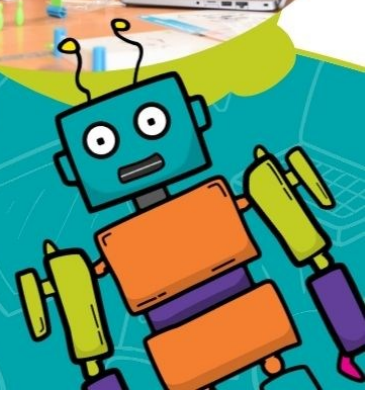
From:
£30-£35 per session



Location:
Kings High, Warwick, CV34 6YE



Dates:
26th - 29th May
9am - 3pm (4pm +£5)



LIMITED SPACES

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Year 5 Taster Days

May and June 2026

Open Afternoon

Sunday 13 September 2026
2.00pm to 5.00pm

Registration deadline for
2027 Year 7 to 10 Entrance
Examinations is Friday 25
September 2026



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**Saturday 27 June
2026**



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ARMED FORCES DAY

FREE

Community Event

*Free activities & food for children - hot dogs, burgers and ice creams**

*Free Indian vegetarian food (Sikh Langar)**

Paid food & drink vendors | Music from Vintage Celine Rose

Military reenactors, tanks & vehicles | Military heritage village

Stalls and exhibitions from the Royal Navy, British Army and Royal Air Force

Find out more about a career in the military

Opening Parade by Standard Bearers, cadets, serving personnel and veterans

**while stocks last*

**Saturday 27 June, 11am to 4pm
Pump Room Gardens,
Leamington Spa, CV32 4AA**



For further information visit: warwickdc.gov.uk/armedforcesday



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